



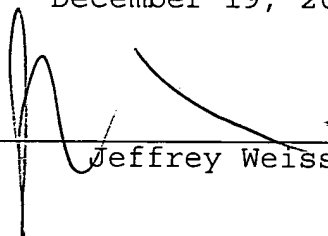
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SERIAL NO.: 09/839,695 EXAMINER:
FILED: 04/19/01 ART UNIT:
TITLE: METHOD AND COMPOSITIONS FOR THE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION
OF STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS INFECTIONS

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REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

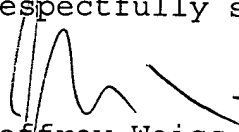
It is respectfully requested than an extension of time be granted for the period of two (2) months up to and including December 28, 2003 for the above identified patent application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(b).

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Please charge the amount of \$205 to our Deposit Account No.
23-0830 to cover the fee for this extension.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffrey Weiss', with a stylized, wavy line extending from the end.

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